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Innovative Pedagogies for Better Student Engagement

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Program Overview

Student engagement is one of the emerging 'buzz words' in Higher Education which has been significantly researched over recent years. Research clearly indicates that engaging students in their learning process increases their attention and focus, motivates them to practice higher-level critical thinking skills and promotes meaningful learning experiences. Faculty members who adopt engaging student-centered approaches to instruction increase opportunities for student to apply what they have learned in practice and increase their motivation, which in turn helps to successfully achieve their learning outcomes. This highly interactive 2 day 'hands-on' workshop is designed to expose and engage participants to various active learning strategies and consider how these can be effectively integrated in their classroom. Participants will also discuss associated challenges and identify ways to overcome these.





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Program Learning Outcomes

By the end of this program participants will be able to:

- Understand latest trends and developments impacting learning and teaching
- Explore the concepts of innovation and design thinking to improve learning and teaching
- Examine various pedagogical strategies and theories that promote student engagement and motivation
- Facilitate the development of students' independent, critical, and creative thinking skills
- 👔 Incorporate active learning strategies into course design
- Promote the use of micro-teaching to improve pedagogy and instruction

Program Structure

Session 1: Student Engagement in Higher Education:

A Changing Landscape

This introductory session will expose participants to latest trends and developments impacting teaching and learning and will present a comprehensive overview on how students in the 21st century learn and are engaged. It will look at principles and strategies to consider for designing and delivering effective, engaging and interactive student-centric learning environments both within and outside the classroom

Session 2: Innovation and Creativity in the Classroom: Design Thinking Approaches

This session will examine the systematic approach to innovation and creative thinking in the classroom. It will help participants to appreciate the design thinking approach, and help them develop strategies to come up with new and creative ideas, insights and pedagogies that can be used in the classroom. It will adopt a collaborative approach to help the participants to implement creative thinking in their course design.



Session 3: Promoting Student Engagement through Active Learning Strategies

This session will focus on how to encourage positive student engagement and motivation through employing active learning strategies. A series of examples will be introduced, practiced and evaluated as to when such active learning strategies may be used. Participants will be involved in thinking about and designing course activities and assessments that get students thinking in new and creative ways while taking into account various learning styles and intended learning objectives and outcomes.

Session 4: Putting Learning into Action and Continuous Improvement through Micro-Teaching

Building on the previous three sessions, participants will work with peers to deconstruct learning objectives, identify ways to support the objectives, and put into practice active learning strategies that promote student engagement. Participants will use design thinking and experiment with creating and facilitating transformative learning experiences. Micro-teaching techniques will also be introduced

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Workshop Leader



Dr. Narimane HadjHamou, UAE

Dr. Narimane is the Founder and the CEO of the Center of Learning Innovations and Customized Knowledge Solutions (CLICKS).

Previously she was the Assistant Chancellor for Learning and Academic Development (Provost) at the Hamdan Bin Mohammed Smart University in Dubai, UAE where she has established and led the academic, research and eLearning vision of the first online University to be recognized and accredited by the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research in the UAE. She has assumed other leadership roles including acting as a Dean for Students Affairs, a Dean for Learning and Teaching and a Director of e-Learning. Drawing on more than 17 years of experience Dr. Hadj-Hamou expertise and professional background span areas such as technology integration and e-learning in higher education; teaching and learning, quality assurance and accreditation and governance.

She has been the driving force in the promotion of online education and blended learning in the Region by leading many pioneering projects and initiatives.

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She is Founder and was the first elected President of the Middle East eLearning Association (MEeA), led the establishment of the MENA Association of University Presidents and chairs the MENA Higher Education Leadership Forum Over the years she has delivered more than 120 keynote addresses and workshops and led numerous roundtables and panel discussions. Dr. Hadi-Hamou has also been active in publishing articles, book chapters, case studies, and was the founder and editor of the International Journal of Excellence in eLearning for several years. Dr. Narimane consults for various HEIs across the region in areas related to QA, technology integration, governance and strategy development and serves as an expert for various regional UNESCO offices. In addition she acts as an external reviewer for accreditation agencies and provides advice on QA related matters. Dr. Hadj-Hamou was listed among the 200 most influential Arab Women by Forbes Magazine in 2014: have received the Arab Women Award for Education in 2016 and the Influential Education Leaders Award at the University of Cambridge in 2017.

Program Duration

This program will take place from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm with one hour dedicated for lunch break and 2 coffee breaks of 15 min each.

Kindly be informed that registration will take place on the first day of the program from 8:30 to 9:00.



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Target Audience

- Faculty members and teaching staff wanting to integrate innovative and creative pedagogies within their courses to create an engaging learning experience
- Program Directors and Heads of Departments
- Directors and Heads of Teaching and Learning Centers
- Instructional Designers
- Heads and staff members of IT
- Teaching and Learning Specialists

Program Registration, Fees and Discounts



Registration Fee for two days is AED 2,500*



15% early bird discount ends on 10th of January, 2019



Group discounts are available for 3 and above

Program Delivery Strategy

The program will include a variety of methods such as lectures, discussions, case studies' presentation and many practical individual and group activities.

Nearby Hotels (5 - 3 Star Hotels)

5 Star Hotel: Pullman Dubai City Center, Dubai - UAE Contact Details

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